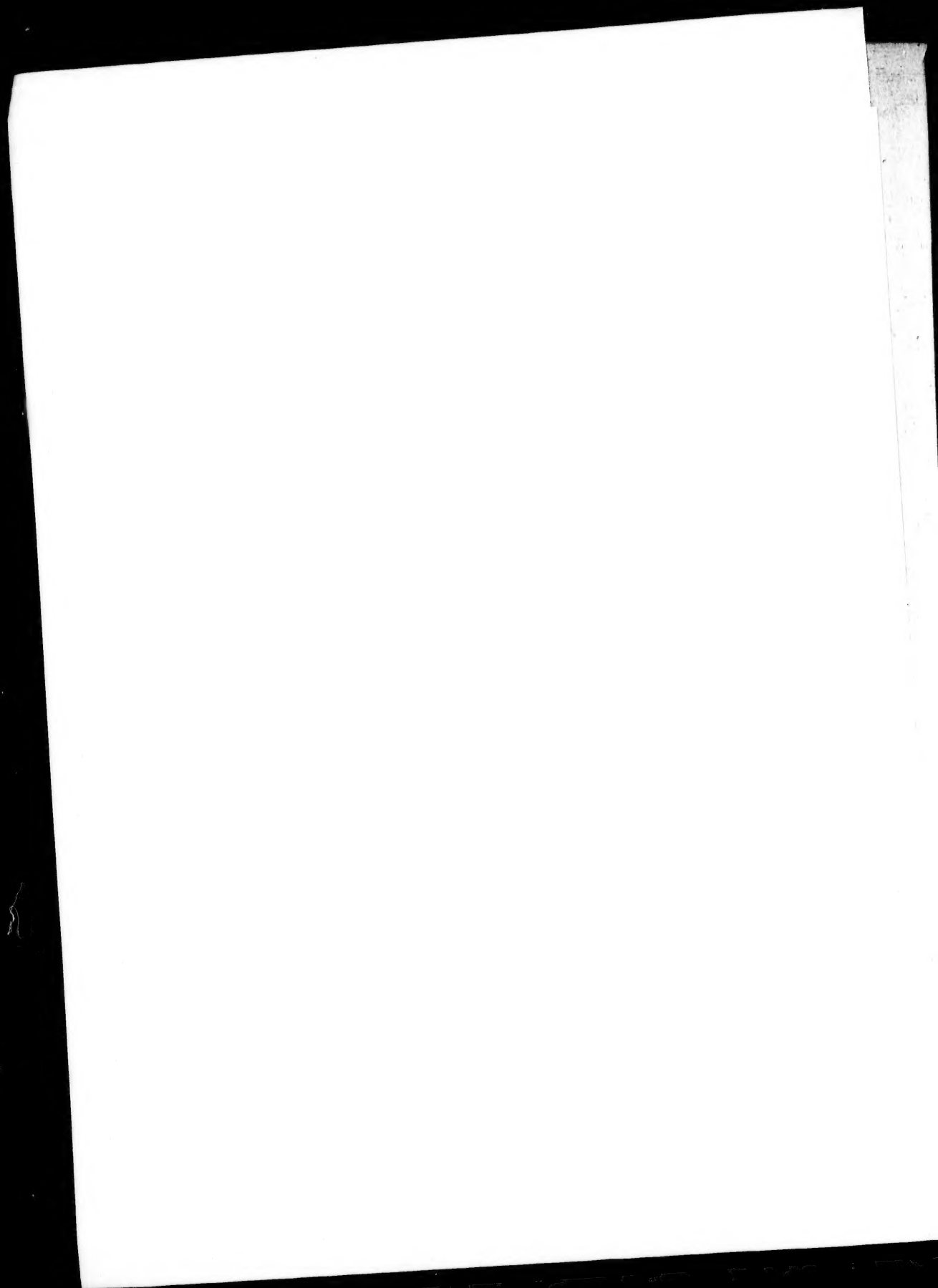




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His MAJESTY's most gracious SPEECH to
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My Lords, and Gentlemen,



FTER so long and diligent an Attendance upon the Public Business, it is Time that I should give you some Recess. But I cannot put an End to the Session, without expressing My entire Satisfaction in the many Proofs I have received of your Zeal and Affection for My Person and Government, and of your unfeigned Concern for My Honour and real Support.

The Succour and Preservation of My Dominions in *America* have been My constant Care. And, next to the Security of My Kingdoms, they shall continue to be My great and principal Object: And I have taken such Measures, as, I trust, by the Blessing of God, may effectually disappoint the Designs of My Enemies in those Parts.

I have had no other View, but to vindicate the just Rights of My Crown and Subjects from the most injurious Encroachments; to preserve Tranquillity, as far as the Circumstances of Things might admit; and to prevent Our true Friends, and the Liberties of *Europe*, from being oppress'd or endanger'd by any unprovoked and unnatural Conjunction.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I thank you for the large Supplies which you have so cheerfully and unanimously given Me. It affords Me great Pleasure, that the frugal Use made of the Confidence reposed in Me the last Year, has been an Inducement to you to renew the same; and you may be assured, that it shall be applied only to the Purposes for which it was intended.

I shall

I shall be particularly attentive to reduce all unnecessary Expences, in order the better to provide for the great and requisite Services of the War.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I have nothing to desire of you, but what is equally essential to your own Interest, and to My Service. Let it be your constant Endeavour, to promote Harmony and good Agreement amongst My faithful Subjects; that, by Our Union at Home, We may be the better able to repel and frustrate Abroad, the dangerous Designs of the Enemies of My Crown.

Then the Lord Keeper, by His Majesty's Command, said;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

IT is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That this Parliament be prorogued to Thursday the Eleventh Day of August next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the Eleventh Day of August next.

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